

# **Disproportionate Share Payments to Children's Hospitals House File 2487**

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**An Act relating to the designation of specific children's hospitals as qualified hospitals under the medical assistance disproportionate share hospital payment program.**

Executive Summary Only



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**FUNDING ALLOCATION**

- The Bill directs the Department of Human Services to designate a qualified children's hospital which operates as part of a licensed hospital, that qualifies for federal disproportionate share payments, to be eligible for federal disproportionate share funding. The Department is to adopt rules and amend the Medicaid State Plan as necessary to implement this change.
- The Bill authorizes that disproportionate share payments be made to qualified children's hospitals from the pool of federal funding released by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). There is no new funding and therefore no fiscal impact.